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**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

~~The invention relates to a~~ A safety strip for a striking edge protection device or closing edge protection device ~~or switch pad in which the~~ has contact elements ~~are~~ arranged transversal to the longitudinal extension of the holding bodies, and the points of contact of the contact elements enable a flow of current from one side of one holding body to the other side of the other holding body. To this end, the holding bodies can be provided in the form of contact strips, spring brackets or the like, and sensors can be used instead of the contact elements. These sensors are mounted transversal to the longitudinal extension of the contact strips or of the spring bracket, and the sensors, via the operation thereof, actuate the electrical switching device.